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HCV NS3-NS4A PROTEASE

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1), applicants hereby petition the Director of the Patent and Trademark Office for a five-month extension of time. A Notice of Appeal in the above-identified application was received at the USPTO on April 2, 2007. With the extension, a response is due on or before November 2, 2007. Applicants authorize the Director to charge deposit account no. 50-0725 for payment of the Extension fee.

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